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EDITORIAL.

ARE we going to have field day exercises? If so we need a little more enthusiasm if we intend to break any records.

DO not neglect to visit the art display of commencement week. It will represent the work of that department for the year, and will be the finest display of the kind seen here for many years.

PERHAPS the most pleasing feature of commencement week will be the dedication of the Association building. Let all our friends turn out and lend a helping hand. If you can not help in the ceremonies you can help in a more substantial manner, for we will need you.

THE boys report an interesting time at Kenyon during the late game. It is a matter of regret that we can not keep on amicable terms with our sister college. If some one

would ferret out the cause of our strained relations and afford a remedy he would do a noble work.

THE junior-senior banquet is a thing of the past. It is a time-honored custom, and an occasion of pleasant associations and memories. The late banquet was one of the most pleasant, as well as the most elaborate, ever given at Otterbein, and will long be remembered by the members of the classes of '95 and '96.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY has decided to prohibit the use of tobacco in any form by all members of the school. If Otterbein was to enforce such a rule it certainly would diminish our ranks perceptibly. Would it not be well to discourage the cigarette habit, even if we could go no farther? But this belongs to the faculty, and not to the Ægis.

DO you wish to take "A Day at Harvard?" If so, all you need to do is to read the article in this number by M. B. Fanning, of class '94. Mr. Fanning gives an excellent description of what one would be likely to experience on a day's visit to that historic institution of learning. It makes the ambitious student feel like following the example set by the writer in supplementing his course by a more extended study under more favorable circumstances. The article is well worth the attention of every one contemplating a broader and more thorough training.

THE baseball season is now upon us in earnest. The start was a brilliant one, when our boys crossed bats with the Capital University and won an easy victory. It was expected

that this team would be hard to defeat, owing to its previous record for skillful playing, but through wild pitching and other errors it was little more than a practice game. With Denison, however, the story is different. The game was hotly contested throughout, and our visitors won on a close score. Inexcusable errors were the cause of our defeat. Some of our boys tried to play on their reputations, and learned to their regret that it requires constant practice to succeed on the diamond.

It is humiliating to the enthusiastic spectator to see the team of his own college throw away a game, which he knows might have been saved had the players taken the pains to practice, as is their duty. It is to be hoped that the boys have learned a deep and lasting lesson from the Denison defeat.

THIS number brings to a close the work of the present board of editors of the ÆGIS. The year throughout has been a pleasant one, and it is with a feeling of regret that we lay down the duties which we were called to perform. How well we have done our work we leave to the decision of our readers, begging them to consider that the time devoted to this work has been only what we could snatch from our regular class duties.

It has been our constant aim to furnish our readers with all the news of interest in connection with the college, and also with articles of literary merit by men of well known competency, and to represent fairly all of the interests of the institution.

In stepping down and out, it is only fair to say that the ÆGIS is here to stay, judging from present indications. Everything is prospering, and our readers may expect constant progress in every department. Each succeeding corps of editors will profit by the successes and failures of the preceding ones, and continually raise the standard higher.

But let our alumni and friends bear in mind that it requires more than a corps of editors to make a success of a college paper. We need contributors and subscribers, and it is from

your ranks that these must come. A free response on your part will make the ÆGIS what all interested wish it to be—an ideal college paper. With best wishes for all, the present corps steps down and out to give place to worthier men.

THE term is rapidly drawing to a close and commencement is becoming the subject of conversation. The exercises on this day will not be so long as they were last year, occupying but half a day. This means that nineteen orations together with the presentation of diplomas must all be crowded into the small space of about three hours. What a literary medley this will be, nineteen speeches of six minutes each, and yet one is expected to make the effort of his lifetime, as he stands in the presence of his expectant friends, many of whom have come from a distance to hear this flood of eloquence. To be serious there is no encouragement to attempt to write an oration when that six minutes limit stands constantly before one to curb and cripple one's best thoughts; and it will be with a blush of shame and indignation that more than one senior mounts the platform to deliver his miserable public school oration. The exercises will necessarily be tedious and monotonous, and nothing to be proud of when past. It is useless to go over the arguments again in favor of a change, for arguments are not to be considered where prejudice prevails.

The times certainly demand a change, and as a parting word of advice to the future graduating classes let it be said, continue to demand and to emphatically demand a change until it is granted. It is time to throw off high school methods and to get in line with the true spirit of a college training. What the class of '95 has failed to accomplish it is to be hoped will be accomplished by the class of '96.

The tennis club has elected the following officers: President, Katharine Thomas; vice president, F. O. Clemente; secretary and treasurer, W. L. Richer. A new court has been fitted up and there is now ample room for devotees of the sport to enjoy themselves.

A DAY AT HARVARD.

BY MARSHALL BRYANT FANNING, '94.

HARVARD is perhaps the best known of any of the American universities. It has grown out of the original Harvard college, founded in 1636, but the change from a college to a university has taken place only within the past twenty-six years, during the administration of President Eliot. The college, however, still holds the most important place, and in Cambridge the institution is nearly always spoken of as Harvard college.

Many of the customs which have grown up during the past two hundred years are still followed as strictly as ever, and the old Harvard lore is as dear to the present generation of students as it could have been to past generations. The life of the university still centers in the "College Yard," in which the early presidents used to pasture their cows; but this has long been outgrown, and at present it contains only about twenty of the sixty college buildings located in Cambridge. In all departments of the university there are now nearly thirty-three hundred students. It will perhaps be interesting to the readers of the *ÆGIS* to spend a day with me in Cambridge and mingle in the everyday life of the "Harvard man."

In order to see the beginning of the day's work it will not be necessary to arise so early in the morning as in western colleges. The "Harvard man" adheres strongly to the belief that the sweetest slumbers may be enjoyed in the morning. Seven o'clock classes are unknown. Let us then sleep peacefully until about eight, as before this time very little activity may be seen among the students. We arrive at Memorial hall at eight-thirty and enter the dining-room, which is so large that it accommodates about twelve hundred men. Breakfast is served from seven-thirty to nine, but only those who did not happen to sleep well have been here before us. We notice that the arrivals are now more numerous, and that they continue to increase as the hands on the clock

at the head of the hall approach the nine o'clock mark. From eight-fifty to nine there is a regular throng, and the tables are now nearly filled. The waiters bustle about to wait on those who have given them the largest "tips." It is important that they should hurry, for many of these late arrivals have nine o'clock classes and can spend but a few minutes at table. Those who take a little more sleep are accommodated until ten o'clock at lunch tables, where they are furnished with anything they wish by paying extra for it.

Refreshed now by a good breakfast we may as well spend the morning in visiting classes, to see Harvard methods of instruction. Let us cross the transept of Memorial Hall to Sanders Theatre, as this seems to be the easiest nine o'clock class to visit. We will take seats in the gallery that we may see the students as well as the professor. Fine Arts 4, the course given here at this hour, is well known to all undergraduates, especially to the athletes and the "sports," who are anxious that their college work shall not interfere too much with outside duties. Since there are about four hundred in the course, it usually takes from ten to thirteen minutes for all to get in their places, after which monitors pass around and mark all absent who are not in their assigned seats. Prof. Norton, who is one of the most popular lecturers in the university,—when he has the right kind of an audience,—now begins to lecture. His subject this morning is the "Architecture of Canterbury Cathedral," which he treats from an artistic standpoint. You will probably be more interested in the "Harvard men," so we will watch the audience instead of the lecturer. There is a tradition that it is impossible to fail in this course, which makes it attractive to those who have no other aim than to get through college. However, it can be, and often is, made one of the hardest courses offered by the college, which accounts for what we see in the audience. Some are bent over their note books, seemingly trying to note down every word which the lecturer utters, others are reading newspapers and books, a few are enjoying comfortable

naps, while still others are gazing into vacancy, apparently having day dreams of the coming victories of the 'Varsity teams and crew, or what not. As the close of the hour approaches there is a gradual wakening of the slumberers and dreamers, pipes are filled and cigarettes prepared so that no time may be lost from this delightful enjoyment when the class is dismissed.

Let us now go over to Sever Hall and visit some of the more difficult courses. Classical Philology 6, given by Prof. Allen, meets at this hour. This class is composed of about twenty men and they are reading *Æschylus*, *Sophocles* and *Aristophanes*. The work is conducted on exactly the same plan as at Otterbein. The plays are read from the point of view of literary art and the history of Greek literature. Very little idling is seen here; all are working to get as much as possible out of the course.

Latin 12 meets in the same room at the next hour, so we will remain in our seats. This course is on the "History of Latin Literature," and the instruction is given wholly by lectures. Prof. Smith sits at his desk lecturing in a conversational tone, and the twenty-five men in the course take notes as rapidly as possible during the whole hour. The authors are taken up one at a time, and are discussed with reference to their life and time, the extent of their writings, literary merits, and other interesting features. Then follows a discussion of the manuscripts, if the works of the author are extant, ending with the different editions that have been published and the merits of each. Then selections from these works are assigned as required readings, which the students must do outside of class with careful annotations of the same, which are looked over and criticised by the professor. In this way the student is not only made familiar with the whole field of the literature, but he gets a knowledge of the authors by the actual reading of them, and of the editions by examining them in the library.

Let us now visit some of the interesting places in and about the "Yard" before going to lunch. University, Holworthy, Stoughton,

Hollis, Harvard, and Massachusetts Halls, with Holden Chapel and Wadsworth House, are all of the old buildings that remain, and it is with a feeling of awe that one beholds them for the first time, and thinks of the men who have taken so great a part in the history of our nation having occupied them in their youth just as the present generation of students is doing. Massachusetts Hall, built in 1720, and Wadsworth House, a frame structure built in 1726, were already old buildings when John Adams was a student here, and no doubt John Quincy Adams, as professor of rhetoric, often gave lectures in Harvard Hall. Washington also must have been in these buildings while he was conducting the siege of Boston.

Just across the street is an old burial ground in which were interred the early presidents of Harvard College. Many of the inscriptions on the tombs of the more prominent people are written in Latin, but the "Here Lyes ye Body, etc., etc.," is the most common form of epitaph. Whatever may be said in praise of our ancestors they have left sufficient evidence to prove that they were poor spellers. Noah Webster came a century too late for them.

Adjoining the burial ground is Christ Church, an old frame structure which has withstood the storms of more than a hundred winters, and during all this time has held its place as one of the most prominent churches in Cambridge. Washington is said to have attended it regularly while he was persuading the British to go to Halifax. The interior is very quaint and old-fashioned, of a style never seen in the West.

Passing down Garden street for a few rods we come to Radcliffe College, and the church of which Longfellow's "Village Blacksmith" was a member. Just in front of this church is the celebrated Washington Elm, under which our national father took command of the American army one hundred and twenty years ago. It is beginning to show signs of decay and will not be likely to last many more years. In going from this tree to the gymnasium we cross the Common on which the American army was encamped, and from which it marched to the

battle of Bunker Hill. Adjoining the gymnasium stood, until a very few years ago, the house in which Oliver Wendell Holmes was born, and in which the battle of Bunker Hill was planned.

Lunch is served at Memorial from twelve to one-thirty, and as we are again near we may as well refresh ourselves for the afternoon. Lunch is the least important meal of the day with us, and it will not delay us long from our sight-seeing.

Those persons who know of Harvard only through the newspapers are often led to think that the chief interest of "Harvard men" is athletics. This is not the case. There is only a small per cent. of the whole number of students that give a great deal of time to athletics, and many never even attend a baseball or football game. However, with so great a number of students, when most of them give a little time to these forms of recreation, and a few give a great deal of time to them, the result is a daily program of contests which will give entertainment to the visitor at almost any time of day. We will spend the afternoon on the athletic fields that you may observe just how the sports are conducted.

We shall begin with Jarvis Field which is devoted wholly to tennis. The courts are arranged side by side in two long rows, and when all are occupied at the same time the sight is very pretty and interesting.

Adjoining Jarvis is Holmes Field, where the 'Varsity baseball and track teams train. The 'Varsity baseball squad is composed of enough men to form two teams which play regular games as practice. Several coaches are usually present to teach the men to play in proper form. Mr. Lathrop, who is trainer for the track athletes, usually has some of them at work. He assigns a regular time of practice for each man and then gives him special attention and instruction. Much attention is given to form, so that nothing may prevent the highest development of which the candidate is capable.

We shall go now to Soldier's Field, which is located across the Charles river, in Boston, at a

distance of about three quarters of a mile. On the way let us stop a few minutes on the bridge and watch the practice of the crews. The 'Varsity eight is just coming up the river followed by the steam launch, from which the coach shouts his directions. The training of the crew is more severe than that of any other of the college teams, and the men show the effect of this training in the evenness of their stroke. The eight men move as one man, and no variation in their movements can be detected by the unskilled eye. A crew is one of the best examples of co-operation to be found anywhere. The individual is sunk entirely out of sight; one thinks only of the eight as a whole.

On Soldier's Field we find a great variety of sports. The class baseball teams are practicing on different diamonds, the lacrosse team is busily engaged in throwing and catching, the cricket team is preparing for the spring games, the shooting club is conducting one of its regular shoots, and last, but far from least in the thoughts of the undergraduate, the heroes of the "gridiron" are tackling the "dummy" and taking other light practice preliminary to the regular fall football training. The spring practice will not last so long this season as formerly. There is a growing feeling against so much training for a college sport.

I hope that I have not pointed out only those things which will lead you to think that "Harvard men" are neglectful of their studies, for they are far from being an idle set of fellows. All the time that we have been watching the athletic practice, hundreds have been "grinding" incessantly, and different libraries have been filled with industrious readers. While watching the games one is led to think the athletic interest predominant, but a visit to some of these libraries soon dispels such a thought. I doubt if in any other American university or college there is a larger per cent. of hard-working students than in Harvard.

Our dinner hour is from five-thirty to seven and this is the only real break in the exercises of the day. All have done a hard day's work and now gladly give themselves up to an hour

of enjoyment. They seem as familiar with gastronomy as with any of the other sciences.

There are usually from one to three lectures each evening, given by members of the faculty or other prominent persons who are invited to give addresses, but you are no doubt already weary, so we shall pass them by. These lectures are not very largely attended unless the speaker is very popular. Evening is the time to work, and most of the students can be found poring over their books until twelve o'clock at night, and some even until one or two o'clock, so you see they are excusable for their late hours in the morning.

Our view has necessarily been hurried, as very little of Harvard can be seen in one day. We have had time to take but a passing glance at a few of the most prominent things about the university, with hardly a glance at the inside of any thing. You should take advantage of any future opportunity for a more extended visit. The growth of Harvard has been phenomenal, and it doubtless in the future, as in the past, will continue to be a

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LETTERS FROM AFRICA.

READ BEFORE THE Y. W. C. A. OF OTTERBEIN.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION:
My Dear Girls:—If you are to receive a letter from me this year I find that I must be writing it or it will be too late.

It is now several months since we bid you all good-bye and started on our journey eastward and across the sea. We landed in Free-town on the morning of the 24th of December, as you doubtless have seen in letters from our party, having had a safe voyage. We left Free-town on the following Friday morning for Shaingay, and arrived here Saturday at about noon. We were delighted with our new home, the location is beautiful and the surroundings are pleasant.

When in America one can have but little idea of what African life is, so we were surprised in many ways. As far as our own comfort and convenience is concerned, we are much more pleasantly situated than we had expected to be, but everything is so different here that we almost feel we are in another world from the one in which you live.

It took us some time to get settled, so we could not begin our work at once. It was not decided where we would be stationed, but was left to be decided after we were here, so Bishop Hott and the other gentlemen visited Bonthe and some of the other stations to find where we were most needed, but it was not fully settled until after conference, when it was thought best that we remain here at Shaingay.

Mr. King is pastor here, and has charge of this farm and the boys in the boys' home, so he is kept very busy. I am teaching, school opened the week after conference—the last week in January. We had a great deal of work in getting the school started. We did not find it in a good condition, so it took some time to get it in working order.

I like my work very much—have forty-five boys and girls. We have some trouble in getting the children to attend regularly. Some of the people take but little interest in sending their children, and will keep them home on the slightest pretext. Time is of but little consequence to the African. Often one will go visiting, to be gone a short time, and will spend several months. Since we have been here, one of the girls from the home went to visit her people, expecting to be gone one week. She stayed six weeks. They never see the necessity of hurrying. There is always plenty of time, they think. So if a child misses a week or two of school out of every month it does not matter, for there is plenty of time. The children in school have no help outside, as so few of the people have any knowledge of books, so all they learn, aside from their customs and traditions, must be taught them in the school. They are naturally bright and quick to learn, and with all the disadvantages get along well with their

studies, and would compare favorably with American children. There is one boy here I think of now who was brought from the Mendi country two years ago this month. He could not speak or understand one word of English then. Now he reads well in the second reader, and can add, subtract, and multiply readily. The Bible we consider our most important text book. At the beginning of this term pupils in my room could name some of the books of the Bible. Now they can name the books in order in both the Old and New Testaments, can give the ten commandments and name the twelve disciples; have also committed the 23d and 103d Psalms, and a part of the Sermon on the Mount. They commit easily, and especially verses from the Bible. We feel that our influence is stronger over the children in the home than over the others in the school, for we have them under our direction and care all the time, and they are away from the evil influences which surround many of the children in the town. At present there are between thirty and forty boys and girls in the homes, and our hope and prayer are that when they leave these homes and this school they may be a power for good in this land.

I have a class of children in the Sunday school in whom I am very much interested. They are children who are just learning to read and it is not an easy task to present the lesson in a way that they will understand it. Often after we have finished the study of the lesson I wonder if I have made it plain to them, if they have received any good; then I remember that our duty is just to do our work and leave the result with Him. We use the picture charts, and they are a great help in teaching both the old and the young.

The girls who are in the school seem older and wiser than the women. These women are so childlike. The girls in Africa have not mothers who can help them in ways our mothers help us. Think of our mothers' influence and what it has meant for our lives. Think what we might have been without it. Then of these poor girls who know nothing of a mother's ten-

der love and care; nothing of her careful training, or of a mother's prayers.

Woman here is at the mercy of man. If one chooses her as his wife, she feels that she dare not refuse, and as soon as he becomes tired of her he can put her away. The African thinks himself very much superior to woman. If we could but go to these women and speak to them in their own language, we could get so much nearer to them, but we always must speak to the native through an interpreter.

It seemed so strange to us at first to have an interpreter used in the Sunday services. The Bible lesson is read a verse or a part of a verse, and is then given in Sherbro by the interpreter. The sermon is delivered in the same way—a sentence or a part of a sentence being given at a time.

May and I do the boys' sewing, besides our school work. We have twenty boys to mend and provide clothing for. Do you not think we must be growing motherly? It is wonderful how many holes will come in their clothing. We patch and darn so much one week that we think there will surely be nothing to do the next time; but, my! when the washing is sent to us for inspection we find more holes than ever. The girls help us some with the sewing, but they have their own to help with besides. In the rainy season vacation I presume we will spend a great deal of time sewing, so when you are home spending your summer vacation you can think of us making shirts and trousers.

We are all glad we are in Africa, where there is so much to be done and so few workers. We sometimes think our work goes slowly, and we can not always see the result of our labor, but when we compare those who have been under Christian influence with those who have not we know the labor has not been in vain, and we feel encouraged to go on.

We often think of you all, and are always so glad for any news from dear old Otterbein. We know you remember and pray for us, and the thought gives us new strength and courage. May your prayers continue to ascend in our behalf, that we may be faithful and do the best

work of which we are capable, that "we may go forth in His name against the multitude."

May His richest blessings rest upon you, and may you rest on Him.

With love to each and all of you.

ZELLA B. KING.

Shaingay, Sierra Leone, Africa,

March 30, 1895.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,
WESTERVILLE, OHIO, U. S. A.:

My Dearest Friends:—As I sit here this morning thinking of you all, and distinctly remembering each one, I feel that I am only a little distance away from you. By some strange means, God has helped me to forget the thousands of miles, and to think only of the companionship of loving hearts. Very many times I am with you in your prayer-meetings, and not a single day passes that we do not pray for the boys and girls at Otterbein.

We—Zella and I—were requested to write to you after being here for a time and gaining some experience. The "experiences"—of every kind, in fact—are ours already, but then they are made up of matters small in themselves—indeed, I fear they would sound trivial if recorded here. I do not mean to say that we have experienced all of a missionary's life, for our lives, thus far, have been made up only of pleasant features. We do have discouragements—many of them—and hard work, but we are very, very happy in our work. The Lord Jesus is so very precious to us. I believe He must be nearer Africa than America, for oh! the need of Him, His love, and His patience, is almost more than you can understand. These poor superstitious people do touch *our* hearts, and how much more fondly and lovingly does Christ yearn over them. Girls, do not think of us as making sacrifices. Do not pray that our burdens may be light or easy, but do pray most earnestly that our Father will give us of His own love, for if we do not truly *love* these people we can not help them. In my Bible study daily I am more deeply impressed with the power of prayer. So please pray for us con-

tinually, that our wisdom, our faith, and love may be increased many times.

I know you are all busy now. I assure you that I have not forgotten my busy college days. These days bring me more responsibility, but I am sure my duties at college were nearly as numerous. So you see, even though I am an *old* married woman—I'm 'most twenty-two, please remember—I have not lost all sympathy with the young people who think much about committee meetings and other frivolous subjects.

You know, no doubt, before this, just what our work is. Mrs. King and I are teaching—which includes lecturing the young ideas on all sorts of subjects—sewing for all the boys at the home, and disciplining inexperienced husbands. Seriously, our work is all pleasant. Our children are mainly very obedient, and bright in their work. When we came, we had expected to wash, iron, cook, and do every kind of housework, and so our work is very much better planned than we had even hoped. My work is with the third and fourth reader classes. I have seventeen pupils, some of them very much larger than I, but they do not give me any trouble, for none of them are in the least impudent or insolent to us. They have been allowed to be very irregular in their work, so that it is very hard for them to learn to work systematically. The whole classification throughout the school has been carelessly made, and it will take us a long time to bring up the work to the ideal. Mr. Howard's work is with all the pupils in the highest grades. Another difficulty that he must face is that the older girls do not think it important for them to be in school. Recently, we tried to persuade one of the older girls to return to school, but she said she was afraid to come longer, for, if she did, she might become "smart past her [intended] husband." So many ridiculous things are said to us, and we often find it difficult to conceal our amusement. Indeed, Mr. King and Mr. Howard have congratulated us upon being "dignified," when we were much inclined to be "giddy girls" once more. (You see we are improving.)

Yesterday our tenth week of school was closed. The time passes so quickly, and we can not accomplish nearly so much as we would like. There is so much suffering all around us, and much of it could be relieved if we only "knew how." How often Mr. Howard and I have longed for a thorough knowledge of medicine.

On Sunday Mr. Howard and his boys go into the towns around Shaingay and preach to the people. There are three circuits, and one of them is about nineteen miles around. It is a long walk in this hot country, but he enjoys it exceedingly. He has seen such horrible diseases out there. The people have not the least idea of medical treatment, and their native remedies are *dreadful*. We have all seen and heard so many awful things that we feel, oh! so powerless, and want so much to receive direction from God as to how we can increase our usefulness.

To-morrow is Communion day, and we are expecting a good day for all the people. They are very faithful in attending all church services. Recently, we organized a Y. P. S. C. E., and we are hoping that the young people will be strengthened in that service. We will organize a Junior society soon.

Shaingay is a beautiful place—a sort of promontory, with the sea on three sides of it, and we are all delighted with the place. Mr. and Mrs. King are at the Mission house, while Mr. Howard and I have rooms here on the second floor of the Training school. We have early morning tea and noon lunch here at home, and then have our nine o'clock breakfast and five o'clock dinner at the Mission house. We have a very good cook—a native man about fifty years old. He has been here a long time, and is very satisfactory.

Our school work begins at 10. From 12:30 to 1:00 we have a "recess," when we all take lunch here—Mr. and Mrs. King, and Mrs. Turner, also, when Mr. B. is absent. I know you all want to hear about what we eat. It is hard to describe that. The chief article is rice. We

have chickens, and, besides, beef, pork and goat occasionally. "Goat" was a new dish to most of us, but we think it better than mutton. We have fine fresh fish, also, and breadfruit, cocoa, cassada (a vegetable much like our Irish potatoes), also, we have potatoes often, which come from the Canary Islands, and which we buy in town. We have nice canned goods—corn, tomatoes, jelly, butter, etc. How I did dread the rice diet, for I could not endure it at home. But, for some unaccountable reason, I am exceedingly fond of it here. We eat it with a soup over it—a soup of fish, fowl, or something of the kind.

These days are very hot, though we do not suffer from the heat, for, during the hottest part of the day, we are in-doors and so are protected from the sun. We are expecting rains at any time now, though the heaviest ones will not come until July, August and September. Mr. Howard and I went to town the middle of January, and on our return were in a strong tornado. Every stitch of our clothing was thoroughly drenched, and we did not dry until we reached home at 7:00 p. m. The tornado was about 5:00 in the morning, so you see we had every chance to catch cold. However, we did not.

Next Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. King, and Mr. Howard and I will go to Rotufunk to spend Easter. We will be glad to see the friends there. From there we will send a messenger overland to Freetown for our mail. Then we will not get mail again before the last of May.

It will be five weeks this time, so you will believe that we become very anxious. But none of these things are the sacrifices I always thought came to a missionary. We are so glad to be here working for our dear Master, that these inconveniences are not very significant. Oh! girls, pray that we may be strong in the Lord to work faithfully for Him.

We shall be so glad to hear from any of you. Letters are sweet messengers anywhere, but they are doubly so here.

May the Lord bless you and keep you, is my

daily prayer. We await news so anxiously from our dear college.

Very lovingly,

MAY S. HOWARD.

P. S.—We are all well except Mr. Burtner, and we are anxious about him. He has such hard work that we fear the effect upon him. He and Mrs. Burtner will go to Bonthe soon, where he must oversee some repairs. Excuse bad writing—blame the climate.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

The monthly missionary meeting was intensely interesting. Letters written by Mrs. Howard and Mrs. King were read.

During the month two cabinet meetings were held. Important business was discussed. Plans for the work of the coming year were carefully made.

Two Bible classes, organized last fall, have been doing good work this year. One with 23 members enrolled was taught by Mrs. Sanders. General facts relating to the Bible were first considered, then parts of the Bible were studied in a systematic way. Much credit is due Mrs. Sanders for her faithful teaching. The other class, fewer in numbers but not in interest, was taught by Miss Turner. Much of the life of the Association depends upon the Bible classes. No girl can afford not to be a member of one.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Dr. W. M. Bell addressed a joint meeting of of the Associations on Sunday, the 19th inst.

In the absence of the leader appointed for the meeting on the 16th, Prof. Garst led the meeting. It was a helpful meeting for all who were present. The professor is one of the few members of the faculty who are seen at our meetings. This is not as it should be. There should be nothing but the most cordial sympathy existing between teacher and student, and every teacher should feel free to attend our meetings. Dr.

Sanders says that, if we leave parents out of the question, the teacher should be the very best friend the student has

The meeting on the evening of May 9 was to be led by Mr. Bear, but that gentleman secured "Sailor Joe" Pierson to take his place and deliver a lecture to the boys. He gave a most interesting talk, drawing largely on his wide experience as a sailor for more than thirty years. He has visited almost every inhabitable part of the globe, and speaks many languages fluently, and has gained a wide knowledge of peoples and customs in foreign lands. While he has never attended school a day in his life, he speaks quite fluently, has an excellent command of language, and is able to tell what he has seen and heard in a most interesting way.

It was the good fortune of our Association, through the efforts of the missionary committee, to listen to a most interesting lecture, on the evening of April 25, given by Prof. Frank V. Irish, of Columbus. The professor is widely known in this and other states as an educator and author, and has also had considerable experience in Columbus in the work of municipal reform. From this wide experience, the professor was able to give a most helpful talk to the boys of our Y. M. C. A. His lofty ideas of social life among young people, and especially among college students, and of the function of young womanhood in developing a high standard of purity in college life, drew forth many words of commendation from those who heard him speak.

BASEBALL.

OTTERBEIN 25, CAPITAL 8.

The season opened auspiciously with a game with Capital University, of Columbus, Saturday, April 27th. The weather was very threatening throughout the day, and during the greater part of the game a drizzling rain fell. The large score by Otterbein was due to Mechling's inability to control a wet ball. The best individual play of the game was made by Schiff in the seventh inning on a difficult catch of a long drive into deep left by Long. The battery work

of Wescoat and Quinn was especially fine considering the condition of the ball.

OTTERBEIN.	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Miller, ss.....	7	3	2	1	2	3
Stoughton, 2b.....	6	2	1	6	2	1
Gardner, 3b.....	6	3	0	2	1	0
Quinn, c.....	3	2	1	8	1	0
Long, 1b.....	6	2	2	9	0	1
Jones, rf.....	5	3	1	0	0	0
Clements, cf.....	6	3	0	1	0	1
Gilbert, lf.....	3	4	0	0	0	0
Wescoat, p.....	2	3	0	0	3	1
Totals.....	44	25	7	27	9	7

CAPITAL.	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Schiff, lf.....	4	0	0	3	1	0
Trump, c.....	5	3	4	6	0	0
Sittler, 1b.....	5	1	0	11	0	2
Mechling, p.....	5	0	1	0	1	1
Twele, ss.....	4	1	1	2	1	1
King, 2b.....	5	1	1	1	3	1
Beuzin, 3b.....	5	1	2	3	1	3
Betz, rf.....	5	1	0	0	0	0
Born, cf.....	5	0	1	1	0	0
Totals.....	43	8	10	27	7	8

Otterbein.....	2	2	6	0	1	1	1	8	4—25
Capital.....	0	2	2	0	2	1	0	1	0—8

Earned runs—Capital 2. Two-base hits—Miller, Stoughton, Trump, Mechling. Three-base hit—Trump. Home run—Trump. Stolen bases—Stoughton, Gardner, Schiff. Bases on balls—off Mechling 13. Hit by pitched ball—by Wescoat 2, by Mechling 8. Struck out—by Wescoat 8, by Mechling 5. Passed balls—Quinn 1, Trump 4. Wild pitch—Mechling. Time of game—2 hours and 30 minutes. Umpires—Seneff and Dennis.

OTTERBEIN 5, DENISON 8.

By an unfortunate combination of circumstances Otterbein lost to Denison by the above score. Two wild throws by Gardner in the first inning netted the visitors two runs. In the third inning three Baptists crossed the plate on two throws by Miller over Long's head. In the fourth inning after three chances to retire the side three more of the visitors crossed the rubber. This ended the run-getting by Denison. Otterbein made their first score in the sixth and followed with three more in the seventh and one in the eighth. In the ninth Miller and Gardner struck out, and Quinn was caught out by Jones.

This gave Denison the game without finishing the ninth.

OTTERBEIN.	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Miller, ss.....	5	0	0	1	2	2
Stoughton, 2b.....	3	2	1	2	2	0
Gardner, 3b.....	5	0	2	1	1	2
Quinn, c.....	5	0	0	7	1	1
Long, 1b.....	2	1	0	9	0	1
Jones, rf.....	3	0	0	1	0	1
Clements, cf.....	4	1	0	3	0	1
Markley, lf.....	4	1	1	0	0	3
Wescoat, p.....	4	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	35	5	4	24	8	11

DENISON.	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Kramer, c.....	5	2	0	10	0	0
Davis, ss.....	5	1	4	2	3	1
Hutson, 2b.....	5	3	3	2	4	0
Jones, p.....	5	1	2	1	0	2
Marlow, 3b.....	4	1	0	0	1	1
DeArmond, rf.....	4	0	2	0	0	0
Black, lf.....	4	0	0	1	0	0
Pyles, cf.....	4	0	0	2	0	0
Wiltsee, 1b.....	4	0	0	9	0	0
Totals.....	40	8	11	27	8	4

Otterbein.....	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	0—5
Denison.....	2	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	*—8

Earned run—Otterbein 1. Two-base hit—DeArmond. Stolen base—Long. Double play—Hutson and Wiltsee. Bases on balls—off Jones 4. Bases on hit by pitched balls—off Jones 2. Struck out—by Jones 10, by Wescoat 7. Passed ball—Kramer. Time of game—1 hour and fifty-five minutes. Umpires—Seneff and Hunt.

OTTERBEIN 7, KENYON 6.

The most hotly contested game of the season was played on the Kenyon diamond on Saturday afternoon, the 18th inst. Otterbein played an up-hill game from start to finish. Kenyon forfeited the game in the fourth inning, and in order to gain their point refused to pay the guarantee money. After a consultation, Captain Stoughton decided to finish the game, and allowed Kenyon her point.

Umpire Wilson made a questionable decision in the fifth, by calling Wolverton's long drive, which dropped ten feet outside the third base foul line, a fair ball, thus enabling Straw to score.

In the first half of the ninth, Kenyon used every possible means to delay the game, so that Otterbein would not be able to finish in time to catch their train. Had they succeeded in this, the score would have reverted to the eighth inning and Kenyon would have won 6 to 5. But Stoughton's long drive for two bases sent

Wescoat and Miller across the rubber, and Kenyon was put out in one, two, three order, the game being finished as the train whistled for Gambier.

Stoughton proved a veritable stone wall on second, which is attested by six put-outs and six assists.

OTTERBEIN.	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Miller, ss.....	5	2	1	0	1	2
Stoughton, 2b.....	6	2	1	6	6	1
Gardner, 3b.....	6	1	1	3	3	1
Quinn, c.....	5	1	1	6	1	0
Long, 1b.....	5	0	0	8	1	3
Jones, rf.....	5	0	0	0	0	0
Clements, cf.....	5	0	1	3	0	1
Keller, lf.....	5	0	0	1	0	0
Wescoat, p.....	2	1	1	0	3	0
Totals.....	44	7	6	27	15	8

KENYON	AB	R	1B	PO	A	E
Straw, ss.....	4	1	1	3	2	1
Blake, lf.....	5	0	0	0	0	2
Myers, p.....	5	0	0	0	4	0
Wolverton, 1b.....	4	0	1	5	0	1
Lowry, c.....	4	2	2	12	2	0
Esselburn, rf.....	2	2	1	0	0	0
Burnett, cf.....	4	0	0	1	0	1
Clark, 3b.....	4	1	1	1	1	3
Jacobs, 2b.....	4	0	0	5	0	2
Totals.....	36	6	6	27	9	10

Otterbein.....	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	2-7
Kenyon.....	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	0-6

Two-base hits—Lowry 2, Esselburn, Stoughton. Three-base hit—Wolverton, Clark. Stolen bases—Miller 2, Clark. Double plays—Myers to Lowry to Wolverton, Wescoat to Gardner to Stoughton. Base on balls—off Meyers 4, off Wescoat 3. Hit by pitched ball—by Meyers 4. Struck out—by Wescoat 5, by Meyers 9. Time—2:10. Umpires—Wilson and Seneff.

CLASS GAMES.

The junior and freshmen classes and the preparatory department are struggling for the baseball championship. On May 6th the junior team defeated the freshmen combination by a score of 19 to 9. Kumler occupied the box for the freshmen, striking out fourteen men. With proper support the junior score would have been smaller.

May 22d, the juniors met defeat at the hands of the preparatory sluggers. Captain Gardner had his men well in hand. Wescoat kept the hits of '96 well scattered and was given excellent support. Many brilliant plays were made on both sides, and the small score bears witness

to the excellence of the game. The final result being 7 to 4 in favor of the preps. The preps made the town resound with the following yell late Wednesday night:

"Hobble! Gobble!
Razzle! Dazzle!
Sis! Boom! Ah!
Otterbein Prepdom!
Rah! Rah! Rah!

RECEPTIONS.

CLASS RECEPTION.—On the evening of May 17, Miss Daisy Custer, of College avenue, gave a reception to the members of class '95. This term has been a constant round of gayety and social pleasure for the happy senior, and Miss Custer's party was second to none in brilliancy and eclat. After a brief season spent in greeting the coming guests supper was announced and the guests adjourned to the dining hall where a dainty and elegant three course repast was served interspersed with songs and toasts. The following toasts were responded to: Mr. Bower, Looking Forward; Miss Lewis, The College Bell; Mr. Barnard, Athletics; Miss Mary Mauger, Our Yell; Mr. Kintigh, Our Motto; Mr. Whitney, Looking Backward. After supper a "Floral" contest was indulged in, Miss Irwin proving herself most skillful and winning the prize, a volume of Emerson's E-says. Besides the members of the class those present were Misses Baker, '96, Markley, '97, Garst, '98, Arnold and Brenner.

JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION.—In accordance with the traditions of the past, the class of '96 tendered to the senior class the annual banquet on the evening of May 15. The numerous class meetings of the juniors had led all to expect a grand entertainment—nor did these expectations fail of fulfillment. At 8 o'clock the guests began to assemble at the Association building, where they were met by a reception committee consisting of Misses Doty, Thomas, and Shauck, and Messrs. Miller, Riebel, and Richer, who performed their hospitable duties in such a manner as to give all a foretaste of the pleasures in store for them.

A short time was spent in pleasant social intercourse in the elegantly furnished parlors, and at 9:30, to the harmonious strains of the Odeon

orchestra, the guests marched into the banquet-hall. The latter was the gymnasium room, which had been transformed into a veritable fairyland for the occasion. The walls had been tastefully decorated, and the balcony had been turned into a bower of flowers and shrubbery, from among which the sweet strains of the orchestra were wafted down over the happy banqueters. The tables were arranged in the form of a hollow square, the center being occupied by a mound, banked with ferns and palms, with a fountain playing among them. To add to the romantic interest of the occasion, three young owls were perched upon the shrubbery of the mound, their serious and sober looks contrasting strangely with the general atmosphere of joyousness about them. For the important part of the banquet the guests were indebted to Caterer Williams, who furnished the following

MENU.

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White and Brown Bread and Butter		
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	Shrimp Salad	
Lettuce		Sandwiches
	Salted Almonds	
Olives		Pickles
—		
Tutti-Frutti Ice Cream		
Fruit Cake		Angel Food
	Strawberries	
Maccaroons		Egg Kisses

The courses were interspersed with the following toasts: Address of Welcome, Pres. C. B. Stoner, '96; Response, Pres. C. A. Funkhouser, '95; Memories, Miss Custer, '95; Class '95, Miss Shauck, '96; Class '96, J. C. Blackburn, '95; Our Janitor, J. E. Eschbach, '96.

The junior class deserve great credit for their taste and skill, and the occasion will be long remembered as one of the brightest spots in the experience of class of '95, and as an event serving to bind more closely the bonds of love and respect which unite the two classes.

Besides the members of the two classes, there were present Misses Crim, Leas, Arnold, Ranck, Stiverson, Knapp, Markley, Moody, Howell, Barnes, Garst, Aston, Jordan, Brenner, and

Wolfe, of Chillicothe, and Messrs. Seneff, Mathews, and Newell.

PERSONAL.

Miss Rike recently entertained her mother.

J. W. Stiverson is now classed as a sophomore.

W. R. Rhoads has been admitted to the junior class.

Miss Rike has had as her guest Miss Frizell, of Dayton.

Miss Flo Leas visited her brother at Delaware last week.

C. R. Bouck entertained his father, of Dayton, last week.

Dr. Harry Custer, '90, visited his parents a few days ago.

Miss Dixon, of Croton, visited her sister, Alice, on Thursday of last week.

Guy Henderson has dropped out of college for the remainder of the term.

Mr. Holway Farrer and Mr. Welles K. Stanley visited friends here and attended the party.

D. L. Davis entertained his mother and brother, of Baltimore, Sunday the 19th inst.

Sunday morning, May 5, Rev. R. A. Longman, '97, delivered a sermon in the college chapel.

Miss Kittie Irwin delightfully entertained a small party of friends Saturday evening the 18th inst.

Miss Laura Gilbert has been compelled to leave college on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Saturday evening, April 27, Miss Rike entertained in honor of her guest, Miss Bessie Kummer, of class '92.

April 28th Dr. Kephart preached in the chapel and in the evening delivered an address on Good Citizenship.

Dr. Bell was seen lately about the college and met with the Ministerial Association on Sunday afternoon of the 19th.

A. C. Flick, H. L. Pyle, J. A. Barnes and Ralph Kohr are back from their respective colleges spending a few days among old friends.

Chas. R. Kiser, of the class of '92, has obtained a hospital appointment at Cincinnati. The position was open to competition and Mr. Kiser's success is evidence of his scholarship and ability.

Miss Custer, of the senior class, entertained the members of her class at her home on Tuesday evening the 17th. The last senior reception for the college year will be given soon at the home of Miss Irwin.

A few evenings since Miss Lula Baker, '96, entertained a number of friends at her home on College avenue. It is said that it was a sort of jubilee over the junior-freshman baseball game. Those present were Misses Garst, Knapp, Custer, Verna, Annie, and Lula Baker, and Messrs. Rhoads, Riebel, Clements, Martin, Hostetler, and Richer.

J. B. Toomay, of class '93, is visiting relatives at Westerville. Mr. Toomay has been for the past two years at the Yale Divinity school, where he recently received as a reward of his study, one of the four largest scholarships of the institution.

A. C. Flick, '94, is home from Columbia College, where he made a brilliant record for himself during the past year, reflecting great honor on his alma mater. He won a fellowship in competition with some three hundred students, the contest being open to the world.

Lloyd Thomas, the efficient pitcher of the Otterbein team last season, has been doing fine work at Amherst. In the game with Brown he played right field and made a three-base hit. Last week he played against Yale and did not give his opponents a single hit, only two balls being knocked out of the diamond and both of these were fielded by the center fielder. Thomas was very popular here and efforts are being made to get him back next season.

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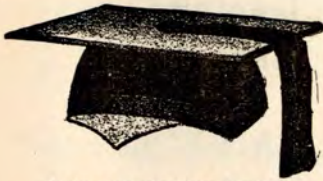
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Centerburg	12 57	12 57	7 04	6 31	4 36	9 02
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Orrville } L	3 04	4 05	9 42	†7 15	7 38	
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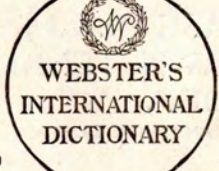
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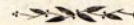
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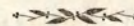


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